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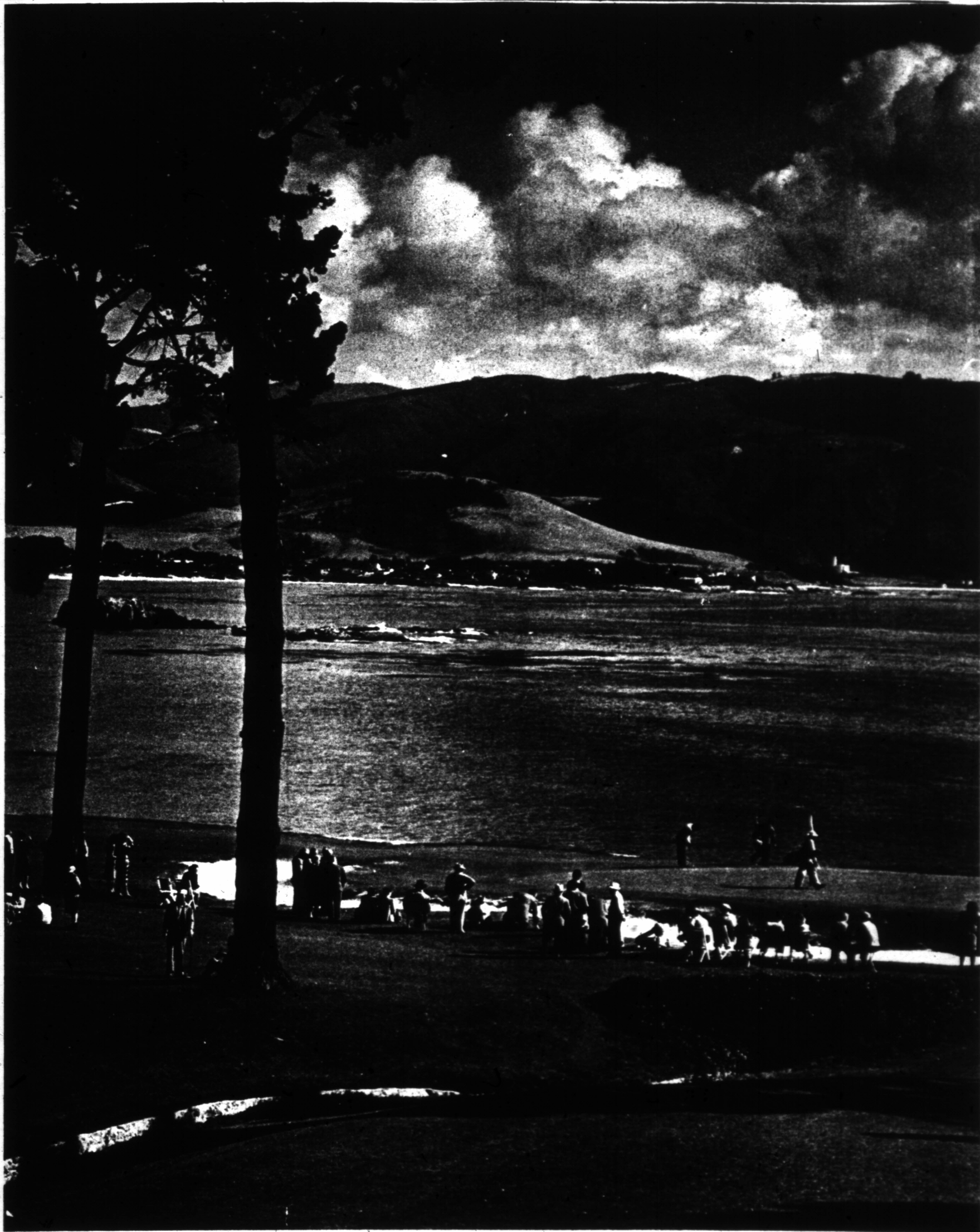


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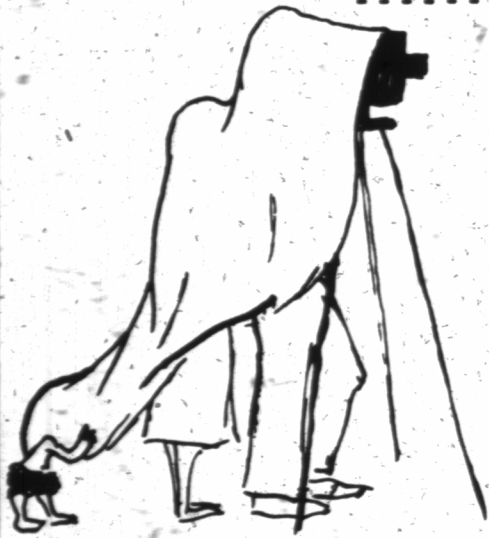


-- Julian P. Graham photo.

Local Color

Latest reports have it they're burning joss sticks around Pebble Beach to appease the elements; however, the weatherman remains more pessimistic than otherwise. In the meantime, notables keep arriving by the planeload for the Crosby tournament, and fair weather or no, the event promises to be the most colorful yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Walker just returned from a hunting trip through the middle west; their game, a 1909 Stanley Steamer and a vintage Pierce-Arrow to add to their famous collection of antique and foreign cars. The peripatetic Walkers will be junketing abroad in March; after picking up a new British car in London, the pair will proceed on a six-months motor trip across the Continent.



From photographers Morley and Frances Baer comes the happy news of the birth of their first child, an eight pound boy imposingly named Joshua David. The accompanying sketch by Morley illustrated the announcement. The Baers, long-time residents in Carmel, moved several months ago to their present home in the Bay Area on Berkeley's "nut hill."

Further congratulations to artist Colden Whitman and his wife; they became the parents of a fine baby girl on Monday.

Signal recognition came recently to two of Carmel's architects. In a late issue of the "Architectural Forum," one of the nation's biggest trade magazines, the Monterey Airport designed by Robert Jones was pictured among "the five best air terminals" in the country. The Forum also devoted an article to a new school designed by Robert Stanton.

Carmel's much-publicized Wing Scouts took to the air, quite literally, yesterday afternoon over KDON. Sounded fine, too.

Personalities



-- Arthur Mc Ewen photo.

The educated green thumb of Earl De Smidt, locally known as the proprietor of "The Gardeners' Friend," has literally made things grow from here to China. As an agricultural chemist, a relatively rare and highly specialized job, Earl has directly or indirectly helped many thousands of farmers the world over.

He was born in Minneapolis of Holland-Dutch parentage, and came to San Francisco as a boy. He early inclined toward the study of agriculture, and graduated from the college at Davis. In 1925 he took his first job, with the State Department of Agriculture in Sacramento in the division of chemistry. There, for 16 years, he applied his talents to the development of new methods and products to aid California farmers.

In 1941 he transferred to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and was appointed director of agriculture for the 11 north central states.

Meanwhile, in 1937, occurred the first of many trips abroad; he was sent to Europe as the American agricultural attache-at-large. In Nazi Germany during the uneasy months immediately preceding the war, he enjoyed a strategic, but happily non-political position which enabled him to move about with considerable freedom.

In 1945 De Smidt had the distinction of being the first civilian to enter Germany after the war. He was instrumental in the supervision of a program of agricultural reconstruction in regions where the situation seemed almost hopeless. On his return to England, he was invited to speak over the BBC on the agricultural situation in Europe -- being at the time one of the few qualified authorities on the subject.

He returned to Washington determined not to go abroad again; almost immediately he was accosted by William Green, then head of the China Agricultural Department, and asked if he could help out in south central China, an area desperately in need of assistance. He went, intending to stay six months, and returned two years later. He still regards his experience in China as one of the high points in his career.

The area in which he worked had virtually no contact with the outside world; the culture was little different than it had been 4000 years ago. In some cases, the people even had to be taught the use of the wheel. There were villages where De Smidt was the first white man the people had seen. As a rule he was followed by an entourage of 100 or more fascinated Chinese wherever he went. The people were particularly awed by his height -- their average size was 5 feet -- and when his successor arrived, a 6-foot-seven-incher, they were confirmed in their opinion that Americans were a race of giants.

Among the many projects set into motion by De Smidt and his associates were the establishment of the first cooperative farm in the region, the opening of 150,000 acres of farmland for irrigation, and the introduction of modern methods of fertilizing and insect control.

After his return to this country in 1948, De Smidt was sent on a mission to Central America where he engaged in work with the Indians of Guatemala and El Salvador. Here again were the problems of working with an extremely ancient and primitive race -- in this case descendants of the Mayans -- and as before, De Smidt found his job fascinating.

The De Smidts came to Carmel three years ago, attracted by its beauty and cosmopolitan atmosphere. Earl met his Norwegian-born wife, Greta, in Paris, where she had lived during and prior to the German occupation. Her facility with languages landed her a job as an interpreter with the UN; like her husband, she has traveled extensively throughout Europe.

Through De Smidt keeps in contact with his former associates (he just returned from a reunion in Washington, D.C., of Department of Agriculture workers,) he feels that at last he's grounded for good in Carmel. Which is good news for everyone -- that is, with the exception of hapless bugs (like the one in the accompanying picture) doomed by the steely eye of "the gardener's friend."

WOMEN DEMOCRATS MEET NEXT WEEK

Board members of the Carmel Women's Democratic Club met at the home of Mrs. E. A. H. Watson to discuss plans for future meetings.

Mrs. James Campbell told of plans for the next meeting, Wednesday, January 21st, at the Carmel Girl Scout House. It will be a dessert meeting at 12:00, everyone to bring their own sandwiches, with dessert and coffee to be provided by the Club.

Speaker for the day will be Mrs. Lisa Bronson, former chairman of the Women's Division, Southern California Democrats. She will speak on "Our Role as a Minority Party".

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MOST COLORFUL CROSBY TOURNAMENT UNDER WAY TODAY

Editorial . . .

Thank You Mr. Crosby —

This is Bing Crosby week on the Peninsula. His 12th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on the three courses of the Del Monte Properties, and the event will attract some of the leading sports figures of the nation.

Mr. Crosby has been a great benefactor to this area. Revenues from previous tournaments have been given in sizeable amounts to these Peninsula communities.

The Youth Centers of Pacific Grove and Carmel are monuments of his generosity. More than that they reveal this man's deep interest in the affairs and well-being of youth.

This newspaper joins with thousands of citizens in extending Mr. Crosby and his many guests a warm welcome. We believe most of the residents of this entire area would like to join us in saying again, "Thank you, Mr. Crosby". May the week end be a pleasant one, and especially may it be free from the over abundance of damp elements which struck here last year during the tournament days.

SCHOOL BOARD AND PTA WILL MEET JOINTLY

The Carmel PTA and the Carmel School Board will hold a combined meeting next Wednesday, January 14, which should be of particular interest to all parents who have wondered "How good are the Carmel Schools?"

The PTA will be the guests of the Board at its regular meeting at 8 p.m. in the Carmel High School cafeteria.

The members of the Board will be given a "rating test" to determine how our schools compare with schools all over the country. This test, which aroused a great deal of interest when published in "Life" Magazine in October of 1950, will be presented by Dr. Henry Houghton of Carmel Highlands, for many years president of Peking University Medical School. Dr. Houghton will also act as moderator for the question and answer session which will follow the test.

Coffee and dessert will be served at 7:30 in the Cafeteria prior to the meeting.

GRAND GALAXY OF STARS PLAY HERE

Bing Crosby, himself, Bob Hope, Phil Harris, Max Baer, Bob Crosby, Dick Arlen, John Hodiak, Dennis Morgan, Dean Martin, Gordon McRae, Johnny Weissmuller, Dennis O'Keefe, Randy Scott, Don Cherry and Buddy Rogers are only a few of the stars of stage and screen who are playing in the \$10,000 National Pro-Amateur Golf Championship which got under way today at the Cypress Point and Monterey Peninsula Country Club links.

This will be the first time that both Bing Crosby and Bob Hope have played simultaneously in the Crosby event.

The tournament, sponsored by Crosby and with all proceeds for charity, has the greatest field in its colorful history.

In addition to the amateur stars all the great professionals are making their sole Northern California appearance this year in the Crosby tournament. There are Ben Hogan, Byron Nelson, Sammy Snead, Jimmy Demaret and all the rest of the great names of golf. Ninety-six of them.

Also playing are amateurs Peter DePaolo, the famous auto racer; Jimmy McLarnin, the fighter; and former grid stars Marshall Duffield, Bones Hamilton, Eunie Nevers and Biff Hoffman.

From the baseball world are Leo Durocher, Jimmy Dykes, Ralph Kiner, Bob Lemon, Lefty O'Doul.

Fort Ord's General Robert McClure will play, as will Buck Private Dick Yost, also from Fort Ord.

The famous "Golf Clinic" took place yesterday afternoon on the 2nd tee at Pebble Beach, with the professionals giving the duffers a million dollar lesson for a buck.

Today and Saturday the field will be split between Cypress Point and Monterey Peninsula Country Club links. Sunday the low 60 will play at Pebble Beach. The tournament is 54 holes, with \$10,000 in prizes for the low Pros, and for the best ball pro-amateur teams. Amateurs receive trophies.

Gallery fee is \$2 Friday, \$2.50 Saturday and \$3 Sunday, or a flat \$5 for a season ticket. Soldiers in uniform will be admitted for one dollar.



Bing Crosby as he appeared during tournament time last year, showing him in a reversal of his usual setting, behind the camera instead of in front of it.

--Julian P. Graham Photo.

ADULT SCHOOL CLASSES OPEN

The Carmel Adult School reopened after the holidays last Monday. However, it is still not too late to register in most of the classes, which are approximately at the mid-point of the semester now.

Of special interest is a new illustrated lecture series by C. Edward Graves entitled "Wilderness of the West." The lecture next Tuesday, which will take place at 8 p.m. in the Sunset Auditorium, will include slides of the Pacific Northwest, with emphasis on Mt. Ranier, Mt. St. Helens and the Mt. Baker areas. Tuition for the complete series is \$1.00.

Registration is still being taken for another new course, "English for the New Americans," in the department of Citizenship Training.

Anyone who has not already received a new schedule of classes may either stop by evenings at the Carmel Adult School office at Sunset School, or phone 7-3020 evenings and a schedule will be mailed out.

MENTAL HEALTH SOCIETY MEETING

The annual dinner meeting of the Monterey County Chapter of the Mental Health Society of Northern California will be held Friday evening January 16th at the Casa Munras Hotel in Monterey. Following the dinner there will be a lecture by Dr. Paul Holmer, psychiatrist from Marin County. His topic will be "Are We Failing Our Children in this Atomic Age?"

CARMEL ART ASSOCIATION ELECTS NEW DIRECTORS

Newly elected members to the board of directors of the Carmel Art Association were announced this week. They are Sam Harris, Richard Lofton, Fred Klepich, Harold Landaker, Clarence Bates, Patricia Cunningham, and Laura Maxwell. The new directors will serve for a two-year term.

CARMEL UNINCORPORATED

There will be a meeting of the new board of directors of Carmel Unincorporated on Tuesday, January 13, at 4:30 p.m. in the lounge of all Saints' Church.

COUNCIL DENIES MANY REQUESTS FOR TREE REMOVAL

The problem of the disposition of surface water together with those arising from requests for the removal of trees were given special attention by the Councilmen at their regular meeting at the City Hall Wednesday evening.

Robert Hinkle brought James Daniels of the West Coast Tree Surgeon Co., Seaside, to testify that a certain forked pine tree located at the northeast corner of Sixth and Newberry, was a threat to the safety of his home. He said, "If this tree should fall it will either crush my house or that of my neighbor Arthur Hull, who lives directly across the street, those areas being the only ones where the tree would be able to fall."

His testimony was substantiated by Mr. Daniels who declared, "When you have a forked tree you have a dangerous tree."

The question of reinforcing this particular tree by banding, guying or pivoting, was discussed by members of the Council and Mr. Daniels before the Council declined the request.

A number of the "tree" requests were set aside until the Council members have an opportunity for personal inspection.

The resignation of Mrs. Dorothy von Meier as a member of the Recreation Commission was accepted and Mrs. Helen Wilson was appointed to fill the vacancy.

A letter of commendation and an expression of gratitude for Mrs. von Meier's fine contributions to the Recreation program was ordered to be written by the City Clerk.



Rusty Draper, well-known radio, TV, and recording artist, will appear tonight and tomorrow night as the featured attraction at Mission Ranch.



Here are a few of the star contenders in what appears to be the most brilliant turnout yet for Bing Crosby's National Pro-Amateur Golf Championship. (Above left) Byron Nelson and Dutch Harrison, two of the all-time greats in golf, flank a noted amateur, Phil Harris. (Top right) Lloyd Mangrum, who this week won the Los Angeles Open Championship, figures as one of the strong men of the tournament. (Middle left) One of the handsomer of the amateurs is the movies' Randolph Scott, a regular in most of the Crosby tournaments to date. (Middle right) Pro Byron Nelson, another of the greats, and colorful amateur Johnny Weissmuller lend an ear to Larry Crosby, general manager of the tournament. (Lower left) Bob Hope soulfully bussing the pate of Jimmy Demaret after the pair produced a brilliant, prize-winning round of golf in last year's play. Jimmy, who this year holds the position of defending champion, had to withdraw from the L. A. Open on account of illness, but is reported fit and ready to start in the tournament today. At lower-right is Lawson Little, dean of Peninsula golfers, and always a man to watch in any match. --Julian P. Graham Photos

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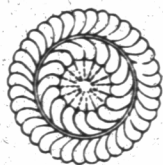


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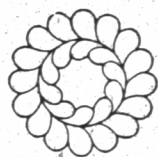
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Two-way police radio communication for the isolated Upper Carmel Valley was welcomed this week by residents and business people who for some time have sought a tie in with the Peninsula and Sheriff's police radio circuit.

Also in the cards for popular Deputy Sheriff Elliott "Tiny" Marrs was a new Chevrolet prowl car delivered last Friday, provided by the County Supervisors through the recommendations of Sheriff Jack McCoy.

Seen ogling the new equipment which links the Valley with Monterey, Carmel, Pacific Grove police departments and Sheriff's patrol, is Valley resident Millie Kimball, while Sheriff Marrs puts through a test call.

The new transmitter and receiver will aid not only in local police work but particularly in the event of general emergency such as the big Valley fire four years ago.

--Parker Kimball Photo



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LARGE AUDIENCE APPLAUDS NEW ART TRIO CONCERT

The premiere performance of the New Art Trio last Sunday afternoon at the Golden Bough Playhouse not only provided an auspicious beginning to the 1953 concert season, but served also to launch a newly formed group on what should be a distinguished career.

Yaltah Menuhin, William Vanden Burg, and Israel Baker are all artists of exceptionally high calibre; individually, each is an accomplished soloist. Collectively, they comprise a well-disciplined, beautifully balanced ensemble in which each instrumental voice is delicately defined, but smoothly integrated with the others.

The program was one of sweetness and light throughout. The broad lyric character of the opening work, Brahms' Trio in B Major, Op. 8, elicited the full sonority and richness of the instrumental combination of violin, cello and piano. This work in particular demonstrated the fine balance and style of the trio.

The program included two Beethoven sonatas, one for violin and piano and the other for cello and piano. The Sonata in G Major, Op. 96, is somewhat lighter and less complex than most of Beethoven's works in this genre; the fine tone and delicate touch provided by Mr. Baker made the most of its melodic grace. The Sonata No. 5, Op. 102 for cello and piano is brief, but more profound, and William Vanden Burg handled it with a mastery that reflected his long experience and outstanding reputation. In both cases, the playing of Yaltah Menuhin was sensitive and refined, sometimes to the point of understatement; if her performance seemed somewhat lacking in brilliance, the fault was possibly with the piano, and not the performer, in this case.

The Tchaikowsky Trio in A Minor, Op. 50, seemed to the reviewer a somewhat unfortunate choice for the closing number. Lushly romantic in character, the work ranges from heart's-and-flowers saccharinity to grand opera theatrics, and with the exception of a brisk and delightful pizzicato variation in the second movement, seemed more soporific than stimulating. In any event, the three artists gave it a thoroughly sympathetic and workmanlike performance.

While there was little more one could have asked of the playing, the program as a whole might have benefitted by a little more contrast. As it was, there seemed to be a bit too much sugar and not enough spice, though the result, one must admit, was most pleasant to the taste.

As expected, the Golden Bough Playhouse was ideally suited to the performance of a small ensemble. The acoustics of the house are remarkably fine, and more than one member of the audience was heard to wish aloud

that certain of the Bach Festival recitals might have the advantage of such a superior concert hall.

Thanks are due the Symphony Association for bringing us this exceptional group of musicians,

RED CROSS BOARD MEETING

The quarterly board meeting of the Carmel Chapter of the American Red Cross will take place on Wednesday, January 14, at 2 p. m. in the Carmel Women's Club.

Following a short business

meeting, Captain B. J. Tucker, public information officer at Fort Ord, will speak on "Red Cross Combat Units."

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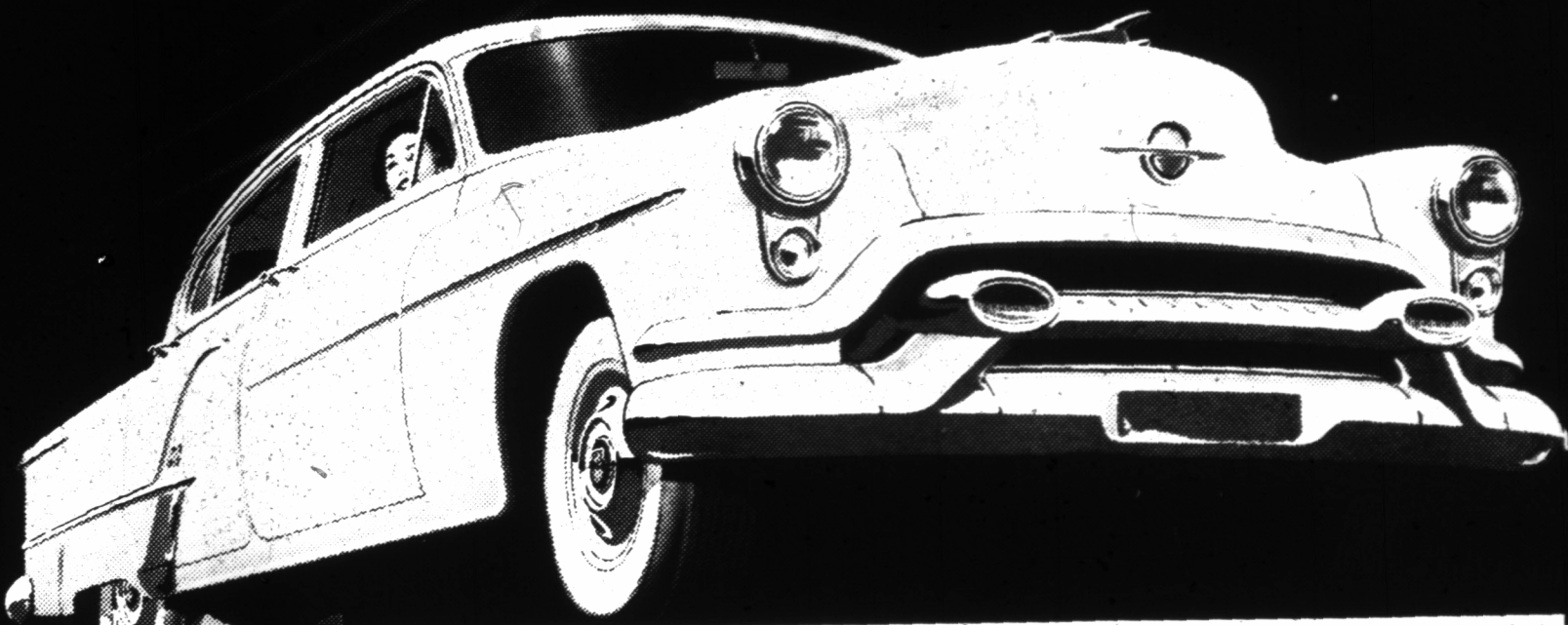
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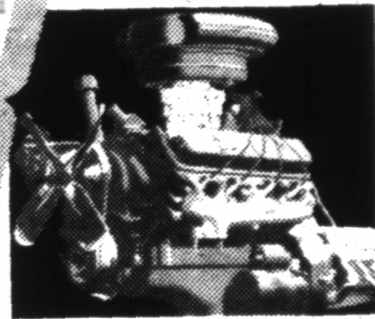
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The school's recreational development has been the project of the Men's Club under president William P. Woolsey. Leading figures in the latest enlargement of the area were Carl L. Cope and Howard Veit.

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Main event of the evening will be an exhibition and discussion of Pueblo Indian pottery collected on a recent field trip by Merton Hinshaw, curator of the Pacific Grove Museum.

Refreshments will be served, and all members and their friends are urged to attend.



(Above)

The orchards of the Old Mission padres have gradually given ground to recreational facilities for the Junipero Serra School. Among the new crop of would-be athletes are (left to right) Timothy Fife, Tom Keesling, Neil Harding, Randy McManus and Philip Wyatt.

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Dr. Knoles came to the College of the Pacific in 1919 and was elected its president in 1924; he held this position until 1946, when he was appointed Chancellor of the institution. Among his more noted activities in recent years was his sponsorship of the multi-million dollar fund-raising campaign for the University of Tokyo.

ASILOMAR CONFERENCE

Today through Sunday the fourth annual conference of the conference of the California Associations for Nursery Education is being held at Asilomar.

The theme of the conference is "Learning to Live in a Changing World." Dr. James I. Quillen, Acting Dean of Education at Stanford University, will deliver the keynote address tomorrow morning. Discussion groups will continue throughout the day, and tomorrow evening there will be a panel on the topic "Working Together as a Team."

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FRANK A. WILLIAMS and
MARRY LOLA WILLIAMS,
his wife,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

ANITA ELWERT, GEORGE
A. KEAGLE, DANIEL
SEYER, Executors of the
Estate of MAX ELWERT,
and all other persons unknown claiming any right

title, estate, lien or interest in the real property described in the Complaint, adverse to Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiffs' title thereto, and the heirs and devisees of the above named and unknown persons,

Defendants,

No. 36532

SUMMONS

ACTION BROUGHT IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY, AND THE COMPLAINT FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY OF MONTEREY.

THOMAS K. PERRY

Attorney for Plaintiffs

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO:

ANITA ELWERT, GEORGE A. KEAGLE, DANIEL SEYER, Executors of the Estate of MAX ELWERT, and all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real property described in the Complaint, adverse to Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiffs' title thereto, and the heirs and devisees of the above named and unknown persons,

Defendants:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the Complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Monterey, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons, if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere (except that if the action is against the State pursuant to Section 738.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure the Attorney General or District Attorney shall have 180 days in which to answer or otherwise plead.)

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All of the incoming students reported yesterday and convening ceremonies were held this morning. The students were addressed by Rear Admiral Frederick Moosbrugger, Superintendent of the Naval Postgraduate School, Captain John S. Tracy, Director of the General Line School and Dr. Roy S. Glasgow, Academic Dean of the Postgraduate School. After the convening ceremony, section meetings for all students were held with their section advisors for indoctrination and general information.

This new student body of 563 officers is composed of 11 commanders, 139 lieutenant commanders, 368 lieutenants and 45 junior-grade lieutenants. Of these, 413 are naval aviators. Also included in the total are two Latin American Naval officers.

The high percentage of naval aviators (approximately 73%) is due largely to the tremendous expansion of Naval aviation during World War II. The naval aviators must be qualified for ship-board duty as well as aircraft duty. Many of them, due

to operational requirements, have had little or no ship-board experience except as pilots.

In order to meet the needs of the service the length of the present Line School Class has been reduced to six months. This new class will graduate July 10th. The second 1953 class will convene August 10th. This accelerated program is expected to continue throughout 1953 and 1954.

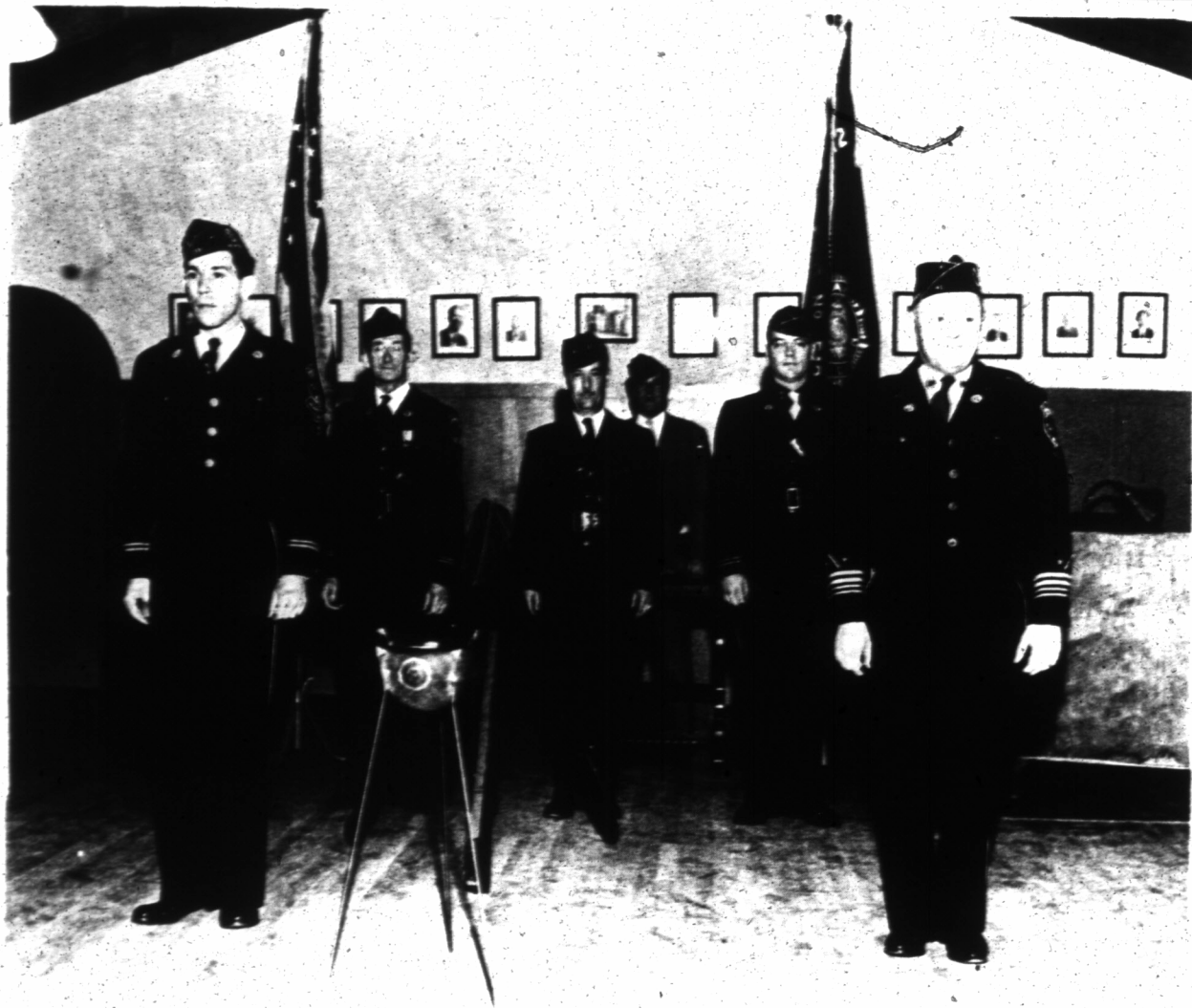
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DRAMA FESTIVAL

The ANTA-Monterey Drama Festival to be held here April 24th to May 3rd, sponsored by the American National Theatre and Academy (ANTA) and the California Nevada Theatre Council, has received a great honor for its 1953 Festival.

The Drama Festival has been named as the final and main event of the 1953 celebration of international theatre month.

International theatre month (March to April) is sponsored by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the American National Theatre and Academy (ANTA).

The 1953 Drama Festival program will include seven major productions, with an international background, plus many seminars and lectures of great interest.



Final tribute was paid to a pioneer Legionnaire, Dr. Frank Pixley Topping, who died at 80 recently in his Carmel home, by this memorial service team at the Monday night meeting of American Legion Post 512. Led by Commander Chester ("Hickey") Stalger (right foreground) of the Legion's Area 2, the squad is composed of (from left) Bud Houser, Harold Graham, Virgil Hansberry and John Swolgaard. Post Commander James M. Kelsey, wearing light suit, is in background. A member of the Legion since its founding in 1919, Dr. Topping served in World War I as a Medical Department major and belonged to the Carmel Post since 1937. From 1940 until 1951 he was elected to several terms as post chaplain.

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President-elect Eisenhower meets 1953 March of Dimes Poster Girls Pamela (left) and Patricia O'Neil, of Raleigh, N. C.

NEW YORK CITY—President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower called on the American public to support the 1953 March of Dimes being conducted throughout the nation during all of January.

He joined in the annual appeal after meeting the two Raleigh, N.C., sisters who are pictured on the 1953 March of Dimes poster. They are Patricia, 6, and five-year-old Pamela O'Neil, both of whom were stricken with polio but now are recovered completely.

"It's hard to believe that these are the same little girls whose pictures are on the March of Dimes poster," he noted. "Now

they're completely recovered from polio, thanks to the generosity of the American people."

He urged all Americans "to help the others like them by joining the March of Dimes."

Later, he joined the poster girls in making a short film which is being shown by television stations throughout the nation.

This year's March of Dimes follows the all-time record polio epidemic of 1952 in which more than 55,000 were stricken. At the beginning of 1953, there were 58,000 polio victims of former years still undergoing treatment, with financial help from local March of Dimes chapters.

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